REQUEST FORM FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(d)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box CPA
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a Request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) as a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) of prior Application No. 09/199,747, filed on November 25, 1998, entitled COMPENSATING NUT FOR A STRINGED INSTRUMENT, by inventor(s): Gimpel

(X)   A 1-month extension for responding to the PTO communication mailed June 1, 2000 in the prior application is hereby requested.

Time Extension Fee:

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(X) One Month ($55)   01 FC:231   355.00 OP
() Two Month ($195)   02 FC:202   160.00 OP
() Three Month ($445)   03 FC:203   18.00 OP

(X)   An amendment accompanying Continued Prosecution Application is enclosed.

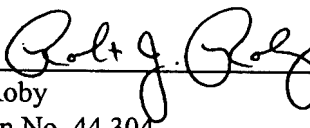The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended above.

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	22 - 20 =	2 ×	$18	$36
Independent Claims	7 - 3 =	4 ×	$80	$320
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)			+ $270	$0
		BASIC FEE		+ $710
		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS		$1066
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity (note: 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). If applicable, verified statement must be attached.				- $533
Time Extension Fee				$55
		TOTAL		$588

(X)   A small entity statement was filed in the prior application, and such status is still proper and desired.

(X)   The power of attorney in the prior application is to the law firm of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP (Customer No. 20,995).

(X)   A check in the amount of $588 is enclosed.

(X)   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

(X)   Return prepaid postcard.

Address all future communications to Customer No. 20,995.

Date: October 2, 2000   Signature:

                                           Robert J. Roby
                                           Registration No. 44,304
                                           Attorney of Record

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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD
Effective October 1, 1997

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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	Independent	*	Minus	***	=	x 39 =		OR	x 78 =	
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+130 =		OR	+260 =	
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* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
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The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.